

initiating a session of an application when a first of the smartcards associated with the application is inserted into the reader;

maintaining that session active when the first smartcard is removed from the reader and a second of the smartcards associated with the first smartcard is to be inserted into the reader;

transmitting the data associated with one of the actions resulting from a selection of one of the indicia by a user pressing the transparent membrane over the indicia of the second smartcard; and

performing the associated action corresponding to the transmitted data.

82. (New) A system for using multiple smartcards, wherein the system comprises:

one or more smartcards each comprising printed indicia thereon each corresponding with an associated action and a memory chip having stored therein data associated with the indicia and the associated actions;

a single card reader comprising a pressure-sensitive transparent membrane;

a processing device having a controlling program operating therein;

a communication device for transmitting the data associated with an action resulting from a selection of one